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SUBJECT: SPEECH OF FOREIGN MINISTER

1. FONMIN KAMAL HOSAIN, IN APRIL 19 PARLIAMENTARY SPEECH, GAVE COMPREHENSIVE OVER VIEW OF AG APPROACH TO FOREIGN POLICY; HE REITERATED PREVIOUS POSITIONS WITH REGARD TO ALLSUBJECTS HE DISCUSSED. KAMAL DECLARED THAT FUNDAMENTAL AIM OF GOVERNMENT' S FOREIGN POLICY WAS PROTECTION OF SOVEREIGNTY AND INDEPENDENCE OF COUNTRY. HE REPEATED FORMULA THAT BANGLADESH WISHED FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH ALL COUNTRIES, AND CITED DIPLOMATIC RECOGNITION EXTENDED BY OVER 100 COUNTRIES AS PROOF OF SUCCESS OF POLICY. RE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE, FONMIN CLAIMED THAT BANGLADESH WOULD NOT ACCEPT AID TIED TO POLITICAL CONDITIONS OR INCONSISTENT WITH PRINCIPLES OF STATE. TURNING TO SUBCONTINENTAL AFFAIRS, KAMAL STATED THAT BDG DESIRED DURABLE PEACE IN AREA BUT THAT PAKISTAN WAS OBSTRUCTING ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE BY REFUSING ACCEPT REALITIES OF SITUJION.

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HE CRITICIZED REFERENCES IN NEW PAK CONSTITUTION TO "EAST PAKISTAN" AS PARTIUCULARLY INSULTING INSTANCE THIS TENDENCY. KAMAL DESCRIBED RECENT INDO- BANGLADESH INITIATIVE AS MAGNANIMOUS GESTURE EGSED ON HUMANITARIAN PRINCIPLES, AND CALLED ON GOP RESPOND IN SIMILAR HUMANITARIAN FASHION. HE REJECTED OPPOSITION CHARGES THAT BANGLADESH INDIA FRIENDSHIP TREATY COUNTER TO INTERESTS OF BENGALEES, NOTING THAT FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN BD AND A NEAR NEIGHBOR THAT HAD BEEN OF GREAT ASSISTANCE TO HER WAS NATURAL.

2. COMMENT: KAMAL' S REFRENCES TO " PRESERVATION OF INDEPENDENCE" AS GOAL OF FOREIGN POLICY AND HIS GENUINE INDIGNATION AT MENTION OF " EAST PAKISTAN" IN PAK CONSTITUTION POINT UP CONTINUING LACK OF SELF-CONFIDENCE OF BDG. FULLER

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